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purge Science. to clean thoroughly, removing impurities or other unwanted material. Medicine. 1. to induce an evacuation of the bowels by cathartics. to induce an evacuation of the bowels by cathartics. 2. a purgative medication a purgative medication. Computer Technology. to delete files or other information from secondary storage in a computer system to make room for new information. Engineering. to replace substances in a container with inert substances, usually so that explosive mixtures will not form. Space Technology. to remove residual fuel or oxygen from the tanks or lines of a rocket after a test firing. Thus, purging.



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